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FOR: GRID RELIEF IN CMP POLISHING PAD TO ACCURATELY MEASURE
PAD WEAR, PAD PROFILE AND PAD WEAR PROFILE

Enclosed are:

11 pages of specification, claims, abstract.

Declaration and Power of Attorney.
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